Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 17 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 18 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 16 Mar 2023 at 17:36

Confidence: High for mild conditions with a few showers through Friday and Saturday then for a window for more settled weather early on Sunday. Some uncertainty in the timings of rain arriving Sunday afternoon onwards so please keep up to date with the forecast.

Headline for Friday 17 Mar 2023: Mainly dry but some low cloud. Showers developing later. Windy on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 17 Mar 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG			
Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Cloudy	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%	60%	60%

Forecast for Friday 17 Mar 2023

Weather: A mostly cloudy, mild and misty night with patchy drizzle. A few bright spells during the day but low cloud will tend to hang onto the hills. Staying largely dry except for the odd spot of rain or drizzle then some heavier showers developing late afternoon and evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 30%.

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of fog and low cloud above 300 or 400m, lifting at times during the day to 600m mainly across more northern hills. Away from cloud, rather hazy conditions briefly falling to less than 10km in any showers later.

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Forecast for Friday 17 Mar 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	22/30 SW	20/29 S	19/26 S	26/36 S	27/38 S	25/35 S	17/24 S	17/23 S	15/21 S
300	8/16 SW	6/15 S	7/15 S	13/24 S	15/25 S	13/23 S	7/14 S	6/12 S	5/11 S
Valley	6/15 SW	4/14 S	5/12 SE	11/22 S	13/24 S	12/22 S	5/12 S	5/11 SE	4/9 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	6/1	5/0	5/0	6/0	6/0	6/1	6/2	6/2	6/2
300	7/5	6/5	6/4	7/4	8/4	8/4	7/5	7/5	7/5
Valley	8/6	7/6	7/6	8/5	8/5	8/6	8/7	8/6	7/6
<< Freezing Level*	1400m	1400m	1400m	1500m	1500m	1700m	1700m	1700m	1600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A mild day down in the valleys but still feeling rather cold on the tops, especially in low cloud and in any showers, with winds gusting 40 to 45mph.

Forecast for Saturday 18 Mar 2023

Weather: Mainly cloudy with occasional showers, perhaps heavy at times with a chance of hail and thunder. Some bright spells in the afternoon then becoming dry, clear and colder in the evening.

Maximum wind: South or Southwest 15-20mph, gusts 30mph, becoming Westerly in afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 20% becoming 60% in afternoon then 90% during evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of low cloud and fog above 400m with patches on lower slopes, lifting to 800m in the afternoon then clearing totally during the evening. Generally good visibility away from cloud but brief reductions in showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** 8C, rising to 12 or 13C, falling to 2C in evening.
At 700m: Plus 5 or 6C, falling to 0C during evening.
Freezing level: Above summits, falling to 700m in evening.

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